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March 19, 2004

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board Case Control Unit, Suite 713 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001



Re:

Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 132X), Union Pacific Railroad Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- in Rio Grande and Mineral Counties, CO

Dear Mr. Williams:

Please refer to Reply in Opposition to (1) Motion to Strike and (2) Motion for Leave to File Limited Rebuttal Statement, filed by the undersigned in the above proceeding on March 1, 2004. In Appendix 1 of that Reply at page 3, reference was made to a letter provided by Terry Whelan in 2002, attached as Exhibit 1. However, a copy of Mr. Whelan's letter was inadvertently omitted.

Eleven copies of Mr. Whelan's letter dated November 15, 2002 are hereby submitted. All parties are being served. Kindly acknowledge receipt by date stamping the enclosed duplicate copy of this letter and return in the self-addressed stamped envelope.

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. McFarland

Attorney for Denver & Rio Grande Railway Historical Foundation

Tom McFarland

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November 15, 2002

Mr. Ray Micklewright, Esq. 44 Cook Street, Suite 1000 Denver, CO 80206

RE: Request for CDOT Enhancement Funds

Dear Mr. Micklewnght,

I. Terrence W. Whelan, the duty appointed, qualified Town Manager, in and for the Town of South Fork, in the County of Rio Grande, and State of Colorado, a statutury Town organized and operating under an incorporation duty adopted on or about July 20, 1992, under and pursuant to Title 31 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify that I wrote the requests for funding to the Colorado Department of Transportation to assist the Denver & Rio Grande Railway Historical Foundation in its offerts to rovive the refresh from South Fork to Crocke, Colorado. In so doing, I used a standard cost per mile calculation to replace the existing track and etandard estimates for bridge replacement and building construction.

My motive for requesting CDOT funding was to Improve the chances of having the railroad operational in a shorter time frame. The Town of South Fork has been struck with numerous economic setbacks in the past two years, we have been in a major drought, experienced the Million Fire in June, and we had the Town's major employer go bankrupt in July of 2001. Those enterprises that can initiate and strengthen our economy are important to us. The D&RG Railway Historical Foundation has the potential of igniting both tourist interest in our Town and investor interest. I believe that gaining transportation dollars for this project will improve the future of our community. I initiated this effort; Mr. Shank did not, and should not be held responsible for the estimates that I derived.

tevrence M. Whelen

Town Manager

If you have any questions about this please contact me at (719) 673-0152.

Sincerely,

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